

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation is seeking separate, sealed bids for construction of the following dam rehabilitation project. The Smith Lake Dam Rehabilitation Project is located in Flathead County approximately 7.5 miles northwest of Whitefish, Montana within the Stillwater State Forest.

Construction bids for the project: **SMITH LAKE DAM REHABILITATION Embankment Rehabilitation and Spillway Reconfiguration** must be delivered, Attention: **Bill Pursell, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Northwestern Land Office, 655 Timberwolf Parkway, Suite 1 Kalispell, MT 59901-1215** by **2:00 p.m.** local time on **May 22, 2012.**

Smith Lake Dam is owned by the DNRC.

Work to be performed by the Contractor:

- Base Bid Items:
 - o Construction Staking
 - o Control of Water
 - o Clearing and Grubbing
 - o Rock-Lined Spillway Construction
 - o Removal and Disposal of Existing Concrete Spillway
 - o Embankment Rehabilitation
 - o Installation and Maintenance of Erosion Control Measures
- Additive Alternate Bid Items:
 - o #1: Riprap on Upstream Embankment
 - o #2: Smith Creek Bifurcation Structure Demolition and Reclamation
 - o Including Construction of Rock Riffle
 - o #3: Subexcavation/Replacement Below Subgrade
- Deductive Alternate Bid Items:
 - o #1: Imported Spillway Rock

Work to be performed by the Owner:

- Acquiring the Permits Listed in the Specifications
- Burning of Brush and Woody Stockpiles
- Seeding of Disturbed Area
- Testing of Structural Backfill

Bids shall be based on an extended lump-sum and unit price basis, and awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible, and qualified BIDDER as determined by DNRC. One contract will be awarded for the Work. Bidders **SHALL** bid on all items in BASE BID, ADDITIVE ALTERNATIVE BID #1, ADDITIVE ALTERNATIVE BID #2, and ADDITIVE ALTERNATIVE BID #3 in the Bid Price Schedule in the Bid Form. Bidders **MAY** bid on DEDUCTIVE ALTERNATE BID #1.

The bid will be awarded based on the BASE BID and, potentially, any combination of ALTERNATIVE BIDS that is determined to be within DNRC's budget and in the best interests of DNRC.

The Project is to be substantially complete within 90 calendar days from the date of the Notice to Proceed.

DNRC will hold a mandatory Pre-bid conference May 10th at 10:00 AM at USDA Forest Service, 650 Wolfpack Way Kalispell, MT followed by a site showing. BOTH the meeting and site showing are MANDATORY.

Contract Documents consist of the Project Manual and half-size 11"x17" Drawings. For information or questions regarding the project, please call Brian Manning or Nicole Stickney at the Stillwater Unit Office, 406-881-2663 or 406-881-2666, respectively. Technical questions regarding the plans and specifications can be answered by Paul Sanford, Allied Engineering Services, 406-582-5770.

Bidding/Contract Documents and the Design Report may be obtained from Allied Engineering Services, 32 Discovery Drive, Bozeman, MT 59718, (406)-582-5770. There is a nonrefundable fee of \$100 per set of documents. Documents may also be reviewed at local Plan Exchanges.

Contractors and any of the Contractor's subcontractors doing work on this project will be required to obtain registration with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI). Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, P.O. Box 1728, Helena, Montana 59624. Information on registration can be obtained by calling 1-406-444-2840. Contractor is not required to have registered with the DLI prior to bidding on this project, but must have registered prior to execution of the Construction Agreement.

All laborers and mechanics employed by Contractor or subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid wages at rates as may be required by the laws of the state of Montana. The Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Each Bid must be accompanied by Bid Security made payable to the Owner in an amount of **ten percent (10%)** of the Bidder's maximum total Bid Price and in the form of bond, cash, cashier's check, certified check, bank money order, a certificate of deposit, a money market certificate, or bank draft. The Successful Bidder shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Insurance as required shall be provided by the successful Bidder(s) and a certificate(s) of that insurance shall be provided.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids received, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period of not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the lowest responsive, responsible and qualified Bid which is in the best interest of the DNRC.

The Contractor is required to be an Equal Opportunity Employer.